

House Resolution No. 462

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Platte County R-III School District will lose a valuable member of its faculty in June 2004 with the retirement of Principal Ray Mahowski, who has devoted many years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Ray Mahowski has worked for more than three decades at Barry School in the Platte County R-III School District, where he is held in high esteem for his overall competence and successful leadership; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Ray Mahowski has loved every child who has attended Barry School in the past thirty-three years; and

Whereas, a former fifth grade teacher, Ray Mahowski is an active advocate and mentor who is respected by the children for his fairness, sense of humor, and strength of character; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms at Barry School fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Ray Mahowski; and

Whereas, Ray Mahowski can relinquish his duties and responsibilities at Barry School with tremendous satisfaction that he has always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best education possible; and

Whereas, Ray Mahowski has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Toni, and his son, Matt:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Platte County R-III School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Ray Mahowski has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ray Mahowski, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Susan C. Phillips
District No. 32

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 462, adopted February 9, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker